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#### THE VITAL ISSUE

Unless all signs fail, the thing that will interest the common man next fall and winter will not be the crop of politicians chosen to raise Cain in Washington, but the crop of food that has not been raised outside says a cotemporary. "The heart of the world may or may not be broken by what happens when the ballots are counted, but the stomach of this country may receive a premonitory pain when the farmer comes to count his returns from the ballot boxes of the soil."

"We are getting reports already from the wheat districts, which are always the first to announce results. Despite an improvement of 19,000,000 bushels in winter wheat prospects during May, and an indicated increase of 68,000,000 in the expected spring crop, the total wheat production for 1920 is estimated by the Department of Agriculture at 160,000,000 bushels less than that of 1919. It is true that the anticipated total of 781,000,000 bushels does not suggest a famine shortage, but it does suggest that wheat flour and wheat bread may be dearer, if not scarcer."

"The decrease in the wheat crop might not signify so much, if a shortage in other food staples were not threatened. The reports of reduced farm acreage come from numerous sections. Many farmers have been compelled to plant less than usual because they have not been able to secure or pay for the necessary labor. Even what has been planted may not be reaped, if the labor shortage is not met. Several of the farm organizations of the country regard the situation as so critical that they have called the President's attention to it, and have suggested as a remedy during harvest periods the cessation of work on public projects by the Government, the States and the municipalities, and the distribution in agricultural areas of workers thus released. If something is not done, they predict all higher food prices, and declare breadlines and food riots are not beyond the possibilities of the next twelve months."

#### DEMPSEY VS. UNCLE SAM

Jack Dempsey is now engaged in prize fight with Uncle Sam which he will find a little more difficult to win than his battle with Willard. He escaped military service during the war on the claim that he had dependent relatives to support, and in his trial at San Francisco the government is introducing testimony to show that he made false answers to his questionnaire.

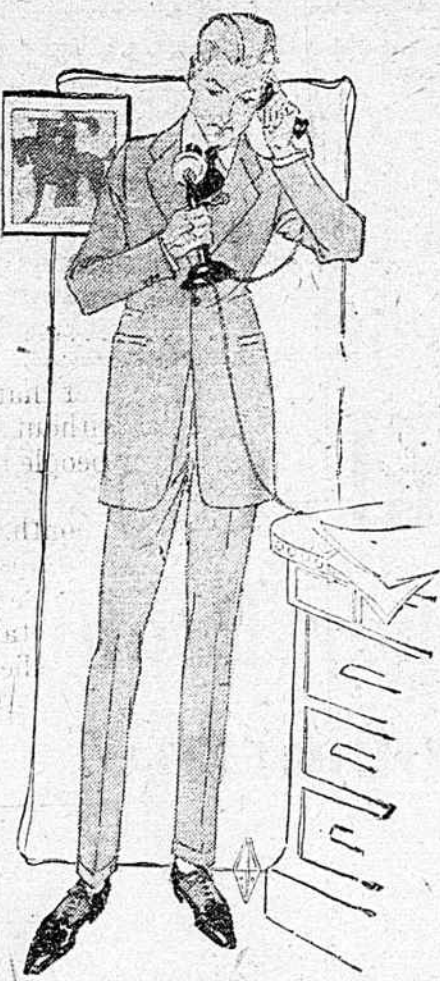
Dempsey in the prize ring has gained the reputation of a fellow who doesn't dodge. If he lied and fought during the war, he should be made to take his punishment now. A flacker is not a champion of whom even the most brutal devotees of the prize ring can be proud. Men of the Bergdoll type were near enough. But they made no pretense to courage. Alleged "fighters" who cannot face death for their country are a disgrace even to their vocation. Fake "heroes" of the baser sort have no place even in the subcellars of the halls of temporary fame.—(Baltimore Sun.)

#### LOYAL TOBACCO BELT

Motion in General Synod Proposing to Discontinue Use of Weed Defeated, 61 to 26

Atlantic City, N. J., June 11.—The use of tobacco will not be sacrificed for the church by the clergymen of the General Synod of the Reformed Churches of America, the ministers decided at the closing session of the synod here yesterday.

A resolution, introduced by the Rev. J. Garland Hammer, Jr., of Belleville, N. J., purposing that the clergymen give up the weed in order to make their church contributions more liberal was defeated, 61 to 26.



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The above picture with a comedy reel, "Busting into Society," will make

up a pleasant and interesting evening's entertainment.

Those who have not been attending these pictures, have missed a treat, and in order to help a good cause and be pleasantly entertained should come to the pictures on Friday evening, June 11th, at 7.30 p. m., in the Norton Memorial Building.

Scholars of the Sunday School are admitted free. See advertisement in another part of this paper.

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